

Last Will and Testament of Thomas Garrett of West Haddon Northamptonshire 1724.

I Thomas Garrett of West Haddon in the County of Northampton Yeoman being weak of body but of sound mind and memory make this my last will and testament as followeth

Imprimis I give and devise to my son Henry Garrett, his heirs executors administrators and assigns all my Messuages, Lands Tenements and hereditaments whatsoever both freehold and leasehold whereof I or any other in trust for one or to any Use are seised or possessed of my Estate of Inheritance for Life or Lives Term or Terms of years or otherwise situate at West Haddon or elsewhere (except part of my said estate as is or was held in joyniture with Deborah my late wife which part of my estate of Inheritance shall go to my heir at law and his heirs). And I hereby devise to my said son Henry his heirs executors and administrators all my Tenant Rights of renewing the Lease or Leases now held at West Haddon aforesaid. And do authorise him to renew the said Lease or Leases in his own name but so as not to prejudice the Rights of my heir at law to such part of my said Lands as are contained in the said joyniture.

Item I give and bequeath unto my sons Thomas, William, Edward and John and to my daughters Mary Muscott, Ellinor Bridget and Deborah Aldridge one shilling a peice to be paid to them when legally demanded.

All the rest residue and remainder of my goods, chattels, debts, credits and personal estate whereof I shall die possessed I give and devise to my said Henry Garrett whom I make sole Executor of this my will hereby revoking all other wills by and heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal. This sixteenth day of April Anno Dom One Thousand Seven hundred and twenty two

His mark
Thomas Garrat

Signed Sealed and published by the
Testator as his last will in the presence
Of us who at his request and in his presence
And in the presence of each other have
Hereto set our hands as witnesses.

William Sharpe
Edward Parnell
Wm: Worcester

*N Will Thomas Garrett 10th october 1724. (5th Series book 7 folio 220)
Note the name Garrett is spelled in several different ways in these documents.*

Glossary

Imprimis- in the first place

Devise - to convey or bequeath land, as distinct from personal property.

Assigns - those to whom rights have been transmitted by particular title such as sale, gift or legacy.

Messuage - a term used in deed to signify a dwelling house and surrounding property, including outbuildings.

Tenements - originally any rented property. From 1702 came to describe the holdings of yeomen which were smaller than farms but larger than properties of cottagers.

Hereditament - anything that can be inherited. The term is commonly used in deeds to include anything not specifically mentioned.

Seised - implies physically taking possession of land or property.

Jointure - a fixed annual sum paid to a widow out of her husband's freehold estate until she remarried or died.

Shilling a piece - adult children may have been provided for at marriage, a common safeguard if a widow should remarry and property pass to the new husband.

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both freeholds and leaseholds whereof I or any other in trust
for me or to any use are now leye or possess'd of any estate
of inheritance or for life or lives time or termes of year
or otherwise private in Westleddon or elsewhere Except such
part of my said estate as is or was settled in jointure on
Doborale my late wife which part of my estate I intend
shall go to my heires at Law & his heires And I hereby
devise to my said son Henry his heires Executors & Administratores
all my Tenant Right of endowing the Lease or Leases I
now hold at Westleddon aforesaid And do authorize him to
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of my s^e. Lands as are contained in s^e. jointure.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas —
William Edward and John Garratt, and to my Daughters
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William Fletcher
Edward Garratt

His mark T
Thomas Garratt

Inventory of Goods of Thomas Garratt farmer.

A true Inventory of all and Singular the Goods Chattells and personall Estate That Thomas Garratt of West Haddon in the County of Northton yeoman deceased died possessed of taken and Aprised this 25th of Sept 1724 by us whose Names are hereunto Subscribed Aprisors.

	£ s d
Imp: his Wearing Aparell and Money in his pocket	-- 1- 10 - 00
It: in the parlour one old bedstead five blankets	0 - 16 - 00
Four pair of sheets a cupboard ---	0 - 07 - 06
It: in the Chamber one bedstead two old curtains	0 - 07 - 00
two Wool pillows a old chair two old coffers ---	0 - 05 - 06
It: In the house one old bell metall pot a little	0 - 01 - 00
Kettle and some other old things -----	0 - 07 - 00
It: In the Buttery two little barrels one tub	0 - 05 - 06
And a little kettle -----	0 - 07 - 00
It: In the yard a ladder -----	0 - 01 - 00
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all	3- 07-00

by us

Wm. Worcester

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